

UTAH TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

March 20, 2015
Cedar City, Utah

The regular meeting of the Utah Transportation Commission was called to order at 8:31 a.m. by Chairman Jeffrey D. Holt, in the Cedar City Council Chambers, 10 North Main Street, Cedar City, Utah. The following Commissioners, staff members and others were in attendance:

Jeffrey D. Holt, Chairman	Dana Meier, Region Four
J. Kent Millington, Vice-Chairman	Cameron Gay, Region Four
Meghan Z. Holbrook, Commissioner	Jim McConnell, Region Four
Wayne K. Barlow, Commissioner	Tyrell Wood, Region Four
Dannie R. McConkie, Commissioner	Robert Dowell, Region Four
Naghi Zeenati, Commissioner	Arlene Kocher, FHWA
Gayle F. McKeachnie, Commissioner	Rep. John R. Westwood, Utah House of Reps.
LeAnn G. Abegglen, Commission Secretary	Mayor Maile Wilson, Cedar City
Carlos Braceras, Executive Director	Rick Holman, Cedar City
Shane Marshall, Deputy Director	Kit Wareham, Cedar City
Linda Hull, Director of Policy and Legis. Services	Jonathan Stathis, Cedar City
Cory Pope, Program Development Director	Mayor Don Landes, Parowan City
Bill Lawrence, Program Development	Shane Scott, Parowan City
Jason Davis, Operations Engineer	Jamie Evans, Evans Grader & Paving
John Gleason, Communications	Rick Campagna, Lochner
Randy Park, Project Development Director	Jerry Amundsen, Lochner
Lyle McMillan, Director of Right of Way	Fred Rowley, CC
Dian McGuire, Right of Way	Dave Demas, Five County AOG
Bryan Adams, Region Two Deputy Director	Curt Hutchings, Five County AOG
Rick Torgerson, Region Four Director	Bob Lamoreaux, Stanley
Kevin Kitchen, Region Four	Aubrey Bennion, AECOM
Kirk Thornock, Region Four	

SILVER BARREL AWARD

Carlos Braceras, Executive Director, presented a 'Silver Barrel Award' to Jonathan Stathis, an employee of Cedar City, in recognition of his help in the relocation of a water tank from a project in Salt Lake City.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Barlow moved to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2015, Commission meeting. Commissioner Holbrook seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.

LOCAL AREA PRESENTATION BY REGION FOUR

Rick Torgerson, Region Four Director, welcomed the Commission to Region Four and Cedar City. He gave an overview of the region's presentation and then turned the time over to Kirk Thornock for a presentation on projects in Iron and Beaver Counties, and to Robert Dowell for a presentation on safety projects in Region Four.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Maile Wilson of Cedar City thanked the Commission for coming to Cedar City. She talked about a recent private donation made to the University and shared her concerns regarding the Highway 14 canyon. She also mentioned a 2016 project on Coal Creek Road, and asked Kit Wareham from Cedar City to provide additional information on the project. Mr. Wareham talked about the Coal Creek project, as well as improvements they would like to see happen on Main Street, especially on south Main Street. Commissioner Millington suggested that Cedar City talk to other cities around the state with the same type of canyon issues and see what they are doing to address those issues.

Representative John Westwood, Utah House of Representatives, welcomed the Commission to Cedar City and expressed his appreciation to Carlos Braceras and Linda Hull for their work at the capitol during the legislative session, and for the local UDOT staff who keep him apprised of issues. He also mentioned two issues that needed to be addressed: safety of cyclists in the canyon, and south Main Street. Mayor Don Landis of Parowan thanked UDOT for their work on their Main Street, and noted it was the impetus for change. He appreciates working with local UDOT staff. Curt Hutchings from the Dixie MPO spoke about the Eastern Washington County RPO that was folded into the Dixie MPO, and said that the RPO in Cedar City is working well. He also appreciates the opportunity to participate in the STIP process.

UDOT SCOREBOARD

Randy Park, Project Development Director, gave the report on the Construction program. Jason Davis, Operations Engineer, gave the report for the Safety program. There was additional discussion regarding the new seat belt law.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION REVIEW AND FISCAL REPORT

Becky Bradshaw presented a budget overview with detailed information of UDOT's funding sources and resource allocations as a result of the recent legislative session. Included was information on FY 2016 estimated revenue for the Transportation Investment Fund (45%), the Transportation Fund (32%), Federal Funds (22%), and Aeronautics (1%), and the breakdown of estimated revenue and expenditures for each. Linda Hull, Director of Policy and Legislative Services, provided a review of the results of the 2015 Legislative Session. Bills that were reviewed included HB 79 – Safety Belt Law Amendments, HB 80 – Transportation Project Amendments, HB 362 – Transportation Infrastructure Funding, HB 420 – Revisions to Transportation Funding, HB 188 – Transportation Corridor Preservation Amendments, HB 332 – Local Transportation Corridor Preservation Fund Amendments, HB 269 – Tourist-Oriented Highway Signing Program, HB 289 – Highway special Event Permitting, and HB 373 – Connected Vehicle Testing.

AREA AIRPORTS AND TRANSIT UPDATE

Bill Lawrence, Program Finance Director, gave an update on area airports and transit projects. The airports that were highlighted included Beaver, Bryce Canyon, Cedar City, Junction, Milford, Panguitch, and Parowan. Public Transit information reviewed included the types of FTA funds

available, current providers, 2014 ridership per agency, and Mobility Management work being done by the Five County AOG.

PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING

2015 STIP Amendment #6

Funding Adjustments at Award or Post Construction

Bill Lawrence, Program Finance Director, reviewed the two projects that have reached award or post construction and are beginning the closeout process. He requested approval to transfer the available funding for reprogramming.

Commissioner Millington moved to approve the transfer of funding for the adjustments at award or at post construction, as reviewed. Commissioner Barlow seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

SR-154 at Redwood Road Project – Funding Addition

Bill Lawrence explained that Region Two is requesting approval to add \$2.5 million to the SR-154 at Redwood Road project. During the design build process, there were some risks that caused delays and increased costs to the project. There were also delays associated with the relocation of a cell tower. The additional funding would cover the costs of the delay to the contractor and added costs for row parcels. Bryan Adams from Region Two provided additional information on the cell tower relocation.

Commissioner Zeenati moved to approve adding \$2.5 million to the SR-154 at Redwood Road; Interchange project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Millington and unanimously approved.

Region 2 Pavement Rehabilitation Program – Project, Funding and Scope Addition

Bill Lawrence said Region Two would like to move a Pavement Preservation project to the Pavement Rehabilitation Program and add scope and funding to the project. During an onsite review, it was found that the pavement deterioration on the SR-209; State Street to 700 East project had accelerated to the point where a 1” overlay would not be sufficient. It would require a 4” mill and overlay to properly repair the pavement. Because of the change, the engineering estimate changed from \$1.5 million to \$3 million, and the program funding would need to be changed from Orange Book to Purple Book. Also, the region would like to add another location to the project: SR-71 at 2700 West in Riverton. The pavement there has deteriorated significantly and requires a 3” mill and overlay to repair the pavement. The engineering estimate for this work is \$600,000. The total funding request is for \$3.6 million.

Commissioner Holbrook moved for approval to move the Pavement Preservation project to the Pavement Rehabilitation Program and add funding and scope as detailed. Commissioner Millington seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

SR-68; 2100 South to California Avenue Project – Funding Addition

Bill Lawrence said Region Two requests approval to add \$830,000 to the SR-68; 2100 South to California Avenue project. The low bid for the project came in \$700,000 higher than the engineer estimate of \$3,450,000. The bid items significantly over were bridge repair work, pavement and roadway items, and utility relocation/installation work. The additional funding will cover the low bid difference and increase the contingency to cover unknown risks.

Commissioner Holbrook moved to approve the addition of \$830,000 to the SR-68; 2100 South to California Avenue project. Commissioner Barlow seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

DMPO: Old Hwy 91, Swiss Village, Santa Clara to 200 East Project – Funding Addition

Bill Lawrence said the Dixie MPO requests to add \$429,046 of STP_SU_DMPO funds to the Old Highway 91, Swiss Village, Santa Clara to 200 East project. At their January board meeting, the Dixie MPO voted to program this as a TIP amendment for 2016.

Commissioner Zeenati moved to approve the addition of \$429,046 of STP_SU_DMPO funds to the Old Highway 91, Swiss Village, Santa Clara to 200 East project. Commissioner Barlow seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

JHC: Three Bridges in Cache County – Scope Change and Funding Addition

Bill Lawrence said the Joint Highway Committee's Non-Urban Subcommittee is recommending adding funding and changing the scope of work for three bridges in Cache County (Avon Bridge, Lewiston Bridge, and Newton Bridge). The scope would change from rehabilitation to replacing the decks and superstructures, and mitigating newly developed scour issues. Additional funding of \$375,000 would address the proposed scope changes.

Commissioner Barlow moved to approve the addition of \$375,000 and scope of work change for three bridges in Cache County. Commissioner Millington seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

REQUEST FOR USE OF CORRIDOR PRESERVATION FUNDS

Corridor Preservation Program Update

Lyle McMillan, Right of Way Director, gave a PowerPoint presentation titled 'Corridor Preservation in Utah.' Presentation topics included the benefits of corridor preservation, how corridor preservation works, sources of the Marda Dillree Corridor Preservation Fund, revenue collected since 1997, expenses since 1997, property purchase history, amount per corridor to be reimbursed by projects, current corridor inventory, local corridor preservation fund, and the outlook for corridor preservation.

DAI Property – Funding Increase

Lyle McMillan reviewed the handout of the corridor preservation budget and obligations that was distributed. He then explained the history of transactions for the DAI property. Due to some additional impacts, there has been an increase in expenses of approximately \$200,000, increasing the

amount to be obligated to \$8.2 million. The Corridor Preservation Advisory Council has reviewed this and recommends approval.

Commissioner Barlow moved to approve the increase of \$200,000 for the DAI property purchase. Commissioner Zeenati seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

CONSTRUCTION SEASON – TOP CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

John Gleason, Communications, gave a PowerPoint presentation on UDOT's top construction projects for the 2015 construction season, and the efforts being made to inform the public of the impacts the projects will have on their commutes.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

FHWA Report

Arlene Kocher from FHWA said this would be her last meeting, as she is moving to Minnesota to be the division director there. She said it's been a pleasure to work in Utah. Her replacement has been selected and will start in July. She talked about federal funding and the push to get a long term bill passed, and mentioned the stewardship and oversight agreement.

Commission Committee Reports

Chairman Holt noted that he and Commissioner Barlow were reappointed to the Commission for six more years. Commissioner Zeenati said there were no CIB meetings in March and there was no DTEC meeting. Commissioner Barlow said the Corridor Preservation Advisory Committee met and the item was acted on today. Commissioner Millington reported on the MAG meeting he attended. Commissioner Holbrook reported on the JPAC meeting that was held at the capitol. Commissioner McConkie said he attended TransCom, but missed the RGC meeting yesterday. He also reported on UTA. Commissioner McKeachnie said the JHC Small Urban Committee met a couple of weeks ago and mentioned the upcoming JHC Committee meeting.

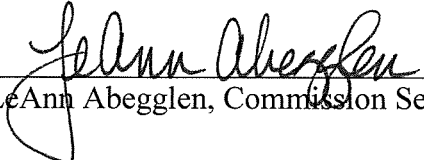
Upcoming Transportation Commission Meetings

The next regular Utah Transportation Commission meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 17, 2015, in Salt Lake City. The May meeting dates were discussed and changed to hold the meeting and tour on the same day, May 21st. The following meeting dates for 2015 have been scheduled:

May 21, 2015 – Brigham City
June 25-26, 2015 – Park City
July 2015 – No meetings scheduled
August 13-14, 2015 – Richfield

September 10-11, 2015 – Layton
October 15-16, 2015 – Provo
November 12-13, 2015 – Hurricane
December 11, 2015 – Salt Lake City

The meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.



LeAnn Abegglen, Commission Secretary